

MARINE CORPS EMERGENCY ACTIONS CENTER
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SUMMARY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

PERIOD 310701 OCTOBER - 010700 NOVEMBER 1962

1. CUBAN SITUATION

a. INTELLIGENCE

(1) CINCLANT ADVISED JCS THAT THE CUBAN NAVAL MANEUVERS WHICH WERE BEING CONDUCTED IN A RESTRICTED AREA OFF THE NORTH COAST OF CUBA BETWEEN HAVANA AND MARIEL AND THE FIRING PRACTICE BY CUBAN TACTICAL COMBAT TROOPS IN THE AREA NORTH OF PINAR DEL RIO HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED.

CINCLANT 312002Z (S)

b. OPERATIONAL

(1) JCS DIRECTED CINCLANT TO REINSTITUTE QUARANTINE OPERATIONS BEGINNING DAYBREAK 1 NOVEMBER. PENDING FURTHER ORDERS, CINCLANT IS TO CHALLENGE OR HAIL AND TRAIL ONLY. JCS FURTHER DIRECTED: "DO NOT BOARD OR VISIT AND SEARCH OR USE FORCE EXCEPT IN SELF DEFENSE EXCEPT BY PRIOR AUTHORITY FROM JCS/CNO OR HIGHER AUTHORITY."

CINCLANT ADVISED JCS THAT HE HAD DIRECTED QUARANTINE FORCES TO REINSTITUTE OPERATIONS AT DAYLIGHT 1 NOVEMBER IN ACCORDANCE WITH ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS.

JCS 010046Z (S)

CINCLANT 010142Z (C)

(2) HQ FMFLANT ADVISED MAJOR GENERAL CUSHMAN OF THE FOLLOWING COMMAND ARRANGEMENTS:

(a) MAJOR GENERAL MANGRUM, CG LANDING FORCE AVIATION, PRESENTLY PLANS TO GO ABOARD USS POCONO (AT NORFOLK) WITH LIEUTENANT GENERAL LUCKEY ON OR ABOUT 9 NOVEMBER. IN THE EVENT MOVEMENT IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF POCONO FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN THE COMMAND WILL GO ABOARD IN OR NEAR THE BAHAMAS.

(b) MAG-14 NOW AT KEY WEST WILL FURNISH FACILITIES FOR LANDING FORCE AVIATION WEST.

(c) MAG-32 NOW AT GTMO WILL FURNISH FACILITIES FOR LANDING FORCE AVIATION EAST.

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TELECON FMFLANT 311415R (TS)

(3) JCS ADVISED CINCLANT THAT THE DECISION TO CHOP IN PLACE 7 F3D-2Q AIRCRAFT AND CREWS FROM PACOM TO FMFLANT IS BEING HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

JCS 301932Z (C)

(4) CINCLANT REQUESTED JCS TO INITIATE ACTION TO PROVIDE ONE 8" HOWITZER BATTERY FROM FMFPAC FORCES FOR ASSIGNMENT TO CG 5TH MEB. CINCLANT FURTHER STATED THAT EARLY DEPLOYMENT TO LANTCOM IS REQUIRED IF THE BATTERY IS TO BE EFFECTIVELY UTILIZED.

CINCLANT 311620Z (TS)

(5) CINCLANT REQUESTED JCS AUTHORIZE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PUERTO RICAN ADIZ (AIR DEFENSE IDENTIFICATION ZONE) TO ENCOMPASS AN AREA WITHIN AN AREA OF 150 NAUTICAL MILES OF PUNTA

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SALINAS, P. R. EXCLUDING ANEGADA ISLAND (UK), VIRGIN GORDA (UK) AND DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

CINCLANT 310102Z (S)

(6) CINCLANT ADVISED JCS OF HIS INTENTION TO ASSUME DIRECT OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF LATIN-AMERICAN FORCES MADE AVAILABLE FOR QUARANTINE OPERATIONS AGAINST CUBA. COMSOLANT WILL BE THE COMMANDER OF COMBINED LATIN AMERICAN/U. S. TASK FORCE.

CINCLANT 302324Z (C)

(7) WITH REGARD TO THE AIR DEFENSE OF PUERTO RICO, COMANTDEFCON DIRECTED VMF-333 TO MAINTAIN ONE HOUR ALERT AND VW-4, AEW AIRCRAFT, TO MAINTAIN 4 HOUR ALERT.

COMANTDEFCON 311531Z (S)

c. LOGISTICS

(1) CG FMFLANT PROVIDED COMNAVBASE GTMO WITH FOLLOWING GUIDANCE REGARDING LOGISTIC SUPPORT OF FMF GROUND FORCES GTMO:

(a) MOUNT-OUT SUPPLIES WHICH ACCOMPANIED FMF GROUND UNITS TO GTMO, AS AUGMENTED BY SUBSEQUENT AIR AND SURFACE SHIPMENTS, ARE TO BE CONSERVED FOR ACTUAL COMBAT OPERATIONS. THESE SUPPLIES CONSIST OF 15 DAYS CLASSES I AND V, 30 DAYS OF CLASS II, AND SMALL AMOUNTS OF CLASSES III AND IV.

(b) PRESENT PLANS PROVIDE FOR DELIVERY OF 15 DAYS CLASSES I, III, AND V FOLLOW UP MOUNT-OUT SUPPLIES FOR FMF GROUND UNITS AT APPROXIMATELY 'E' DAY PLUS 14. HOWEVER, ACTION IS BEING TAKEN TO EXPEDITE SHIPMENT OF THESE SUPPLIES SO THEY CAN

BE PREPOSITIONED GTMO PRIOR TO 'E' DAY.

(c) LOGISTIC SUPPORT PRIOR TO 'E' DAY:

- (1) FMFLANT WILL PROVIDE CLASS II SUPPLI EXCEPT COMMON HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS AVAILABLE NSD GTMO.
- (2) CLASS V - TRAINING AMMO REQUIREMENT WILL BE PROVIDED FROM MARINE CORPS SOURCES.
- (3) ASSUME CLASSES I AND III WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FROM NSD GTMO.
- (4) ASSUME CLASS IV FIELD FORTIFICATION MATERIAL FOR USE IN STATIC DEFENSE OF GTMO WILL BE PROVIDED BY NAVBASE GTMO.

CG FMFLANT 302255Z (S)

(2) CG FMFLANT SUBMITTED TO CMC A SPECIAL CLASS V TRAINING ALLOWANCE MATERIAL REQUEST FOR UNITS IN THE GTMC AREA. MATERIAL IS REQUIRED NORVA AREA NLT 5 NOVEMBER.

CG FMFLANT 302209Z (C)

(3) CINCLANT REQUESTED JCS ADVISE AS TO WHETHER THE SITUATION WARRANTS PREPOSITIONING BIOLOGICAL/CHEMICAL MUNITIONS TO EAST COAST DEPOTS AT THIS TIME SINCE PRESENT STOCKS ARE REMOTELY LOCATED WITH RESPECT TO THE EAST COAST.

CINCLANT 312026Z (TS)

d. PERSONNEL

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(1) CMC GRANTED AUTHORITY TO CG FORTRPS FMFPAC TO CANCEL ALL UNEXECUTED PCSO FOR PERSONNEL OF HIS COMMAND.

CMC 311934Z (3)

e. MISCELLANEOUS

(1) CINCLANT REPORTED THE FOLLOWING REGARDING USNAVBASE GTMO:

(a) CUBAN WORK FORCE REMAINS NORMAL.

(b) MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BATTALION 7 WAS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE GTMO ON 31 OCTOBER.

CINCLANT 311314Z (TS)

(2) JCS PREPOSITIONED EM-7 MESSAGE TO UNIFIED AND SPECIFIED COMMANDS FOR USE ONLY IN THE EVENT CINCLANT OPLAN 312 OR 316 IS ORDERED TO BE EXECUTED.

(EAC NOTE: EM-7 IS A "SITUATION AND ACTION MESSAGE" CONTAINED IN THE JCS EMERGENCY ACTION PROCEDURES. NORMALLY, IT WILL CONTAIN INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANY SPECIFIC ACTIONS DECIDED UPON BY THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF.)

JCS 311404Z (TS)

(3) CINCLANT ADVISED JCS THAT HE CONSIDERS THE ENTHUSIASTIC AND OUTSTANDING COOPERATION BETWEEN ALL SERVICES UNDER HIS COMMAND IN "CUBAN CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS" WARRANTS IMMEDIATE RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUAL MERITORIOUS SERVICE. HE REQUESTS JCS DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO HIM TO AWARD LEGION OF MERIT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE MEDALS JUNIOR THERETO TO INDIVIDUALS WHOSE

PERFORMANCE HAS MET THE CRITERIA FOR A PARTICULAR AWARD.

CINCLANT 312028Z (U)

(4) IN CONNECTION WITH NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT OFFER OF ASSISTANCE IN CUBAN QUARANTINE OPERATIONS, CINCLANTFLT RECOMMENDED THE FOLLOWING TO CNO:

(a) NICARAGUAN AIR FORCE BE EMPLOYED TO PATROL NICARAGUAN COASTAL WATERS.

(b) NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT DENY THE USE OF NICARAGUAN PORTS TO SOVIET BLOC SHIPS INCLUDING NEUTRAL AND WESTERN ORIENTED SHIPPING CARRYING OFFENSIVE WEAPONS CARGO TO CUBA.

(c) NICARAGUAN GOVERNMENT ALLOW CINCLANTFLT TO USE NICARAGUAN PORTS ON CARIBBEAN FOR USE OF QUARANTINE FORCES.

CINCLANTFLT 300228Z (TS)

(5) CINCLANTFLT ADVISED COMSOLANT THAT THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE HAS INFORMALLY OFFERED THREE SA-16 AIRCRAFT FOR USE IN QUARANTINE OPERATIONS AND REQUESTS COMSOLANT TO ADVISE ON HIS CAPABILITY TO SUPPORT THESE AIRCRAFT.

CINCLANTFLT 311356Z (C)

2. LATIN/CENTRAL AMERICA

a. CINCSTRIKE SUBMITTED TO JCS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEPLOYMENT OF CINCSTRIKE FORCES TO SOUTH AMERICA; SPECIFICALLY VENEZUELA AND BOLIVIA. SUCH OPERATIONS ARE FOR SUPPORT OF

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CINCARIB OPLAN 2-61.

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CINCSTRIKE 310320Z (TS)

3. MARINE CORPS

a. CG, 3D MAW REPORTED TO CG, AIRFMFPAC THAT THE SHORTAGE OF 01 FUNDS IS CRITICAL DUE TO UNPROGRAMMED FLIGHT OPERATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH CUBAN OPERATIONS. INCREASED READINESS REQUIRES ACCELERATED TRAINING OF HMM-363, VMA-121 AND VMA-311. A MINIMUM OF \$120,000 PROJECT 01 FUNDS IS REQUIRED TO MEET MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

CG, AIRFMFPAC ADVISED CG, 3D MAW THAT ADDITIONAL 01 FUNDS ARE NOT AVAILABLE. ANY FUNDS PROVIDED WOULD BE ADVANCE ON 4TH QUARTER PLANNING FIGURES UNTIL RESOLUTION BY OSD OF BUWEP'S SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST TO SUPPORT CUBAN OPERATIONS.

CG 3D MAW 262359Z (S)
CG AIR FMFPAC 310019Z (S)

b. MARINE BARRACKS, NAS PATUXENT RIVER WAS DEACTIVATED ON 31 OCTOBER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECNAV AND CMC DIRECTIVES.

MARBKS NAS PAXRIV 312023Z (U)

4. MOVEMENTS

a. BLT 3/9 DEPARTED CAMP HANSON, OKINAWA 31 OCTOBER.

(EAC NOTE: BLT 3/9 IS SCHEDULED FOR PHIBLEX 14-62 AT FUJI MCNAIR. ETR OKINAWA 15 DECEMBER).

ADMIN 3D MARDIV 310930Z (C)

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REPRODUCED AT GOVERNMENT EXPENSE

b. 3D RECON BN DEPARTED BUCKNER BAY, OKINAWA 31 OCTOBER FOR SUBIC BAY. ETA SUBIC 3 NOVEMBER.

(EAC NOTE: 3D RECON BN IS SCHEDULED FOR A RECON EXERCISE AT SUBIC. ETR OKINAWA 17 DECEMBER).

ADMIN 3DMARDIV 310257Z (C)
USS WASHTENAW CTY 310030Z (C)

c. VMF(AW)-542 ARRIVED NAS ATSUGI 311455Z.

(EAC NOTE: VMF(AW)-542 WILL REPLACE VMF(AW)-513).

VMF(AW)-542 311500Z (U)

5. DEFCONS

a. NO CHANGE.

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6. SELECTED ITEMS FROM DIA BULLETIN 31 OCTOBER 1962

a. CUBA

(1) THE FIVE DEMANDS WHICH CASTRO INSISTS ARE TO BE INCLUDED IN A FINAL SETTLEMENT OF THE PRESENT SITUATION ARE:

(a) CESSATION OF THE ECONOMIC BLOCKADE AND ALL MEASURES OF COMMERCIAL AND ECONOMIC PRESSURE.

(b) CESSATION OF ALL "SUBVERSIVE" ACTIVITY AGAINST CUBA.

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(c) CESSATION OF THE PIRATE ATTACKS FROM
BASES IN U. S. AND PUERTO RICO.

(d) CESSATION OF VIOLATION OF CUBAN AIR AND
NAVAL SPACE BY U. S. PLANES AND SHIPS.

(e) U. S. EVACUATION OF GUANTANAMO NAVAL
BASE

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b. OF THE 18 MISSILE LAUNCH POSITIONS PHOTOGRAPHED 29
OCTOBER, THERE WAS EVIDENCE OF CONSTRUCTION AT TWO PROBABLE
NUCLEAR WEAPONS STORAGE SITES AND CONSTRUCTION AT 2 MRBM SITES.

CAMOUFLAGE AND CONCEALMENT WERE CONTINUING.

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